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SUBJ: COFFEE: COSTA RICA RESUMES EXPORT SALES

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1. COSTA RICA'S COFFEE OFFICE INFORMED INDUSTRY THAT EFFECTIVE APRIL 24, IT WAS RESCINDING MINIMUM EXPORT PRICE REQUIREMENT OF US\$3.80 PER KILO THAT HAD BEEN IN EFFECT SINCE MARCH 13. THE RESOLUTION ALSO LIMITS NEW SALES TO 15 PERCENT OF COSTA RICA'S TOTAL 1977-78 COFFEE CROP.

2. FROM DISCUSSIONS WITH PRIVATE SECTOR CONTACTS, EMBASSY UNDER-
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STANDS THAT THE UNIFIED FRONT OF THE OTHER MILDS GROUP HAS COLLAPSED. AGATT HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT HONDURAS AND NICARAGUA HAVE AUTHORIZED UNRESTRICTED SALES AT ANY PRICE, WHILE MEXICO HAS STILL NOT OPENED THE MARKET AND EL SALVADOR STILL REQUIRES A HIGH MINIMUM EXPORT PRICE. LOCAL TRADE CONTACT REPORTS THAT COFFEE OFFICE PROBABLY WILL NOT REQUIRE MINIMUM EXPORT PRICE REGISTRATION FOR REMAINDER OF YEAR. UNDER EXISTING REGULATIONS, HOWEVER, COFFEE

OFFICE STILL HAS OPTION TO CANCEL ANY SALES CONTRACT MADE AT PRICE
LEVEL IT DEEMS UNDESIRABLE.

3. COSTA RICA'S COFFEE EXPORTERS HAVE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION WITH
COFFEE OFFICE DECISION AND ARE ALSO SATISFIED WITH THE CURRENT
MARKET PRICE LEVEL. SIMILARLY, THEY BELIEVE THAT EXPORT LIMITATION
OF APPROXIMATELY 227 THOUSAND BAGS IS MORE THAN ADEQUATE FOR SHORT
RUN. THEY CALCULATE TOTAL UNSOLD EXPORTABLE COFFEE FROM THE 1977-78
CROP AT ABOUT 390 THOUSAND BAGS.

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